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Inventors: Seishi Kato, et al.  
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Dear Sir:

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2. Request for Three-Month Extension of Time (1 page, in duplicate);
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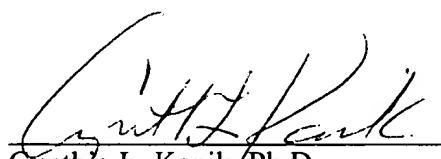
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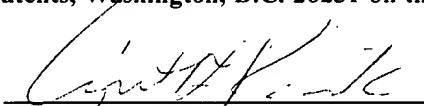
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2001 (Paper No. 10). A Request for Three-Month Extension of Time in which to respond is being submitted on even date herewith. Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the specification:**

Please replace the sentence on page 55, line 4 with the following rewritten sentence:

--Table 4--